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SUBJECT: HUNGARY CURRENTLY SUPPORTING MCKINLEY FOR IOM
DIRECTOR GENERAL

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[1](#)1. PolOff delivered reftel information to the MFA International Organizations and Human Rights Department Head, Attila Zimanyi on May 23. He confirmed that Hungary currently supports the present Director General (DG), Brunson McKinley, for a third term. Zimanyi commented that Hungary has been generally satisfied with McKinley's work with Hungary on migrations issues. He also acknowledged reftel points related to McKinley's 2002 letter stating he would not seek a third term, as well as the 1998 Resolution 997, signed by Hungary, calling for a two-term limit for the DG.

[1](#)2. Zimanyi stated that, in any case, Hungary believes a U.S. Director General is essential for the International Organization for Migration. He said he will forward the U.S. request to support Ambassador Swing to the decision-makers in the MFA.
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